LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

8th July 2015

UPDATE REPORT OF HEAD OF PLANNING AND BUILDING CONTROL

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1.0 ADDITIONAL REPRESENTATIONS

- 1.1 Seven additional written objections were received based on
 - i. Loss of pub
 - ii. Loss of garden
 - iii. Not in keeping with the Conservation Area
- 1.2 An online petition has since been registered at Change.org and this has received approximately 500 signatures to date (as of 8th July).

Officer Comments

1.3 Majority of the points raised have already been addressed in the previous main report.

2.0 AMENDMENT TO PARAGRAPH 6.5 IN THE MAIN REPORT

- 2.1 This paragraph has been amended to reflect the fact that the applicant is increasing the ground floorspace of the pub. This should now read as follows:
- 6.5 The proposal seeks to retain the existing A4 use, extend the ground floorspace of the pub and keep the pub operational so there will be no loss of pub. However in planning terms, the smoking area or garden could be considered an integral part of the pub. Concerns raised by some objectors relate to the loss of the current pub garden and the long term viability of the public house. Officers have therefore assessed this planning application against Policy DM8, due to the reduction in size of its garden/smoking area, which may in turn impact of the viability of the pub performing its community infrastructure function.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

3.1 Officers' original recommendation to GRANT planning permission remains unchanged.